

Embassy of the United States of America Madrid, Spain

Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Demonstrations October 23, 2014

DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED FOR OCT. 24 TO 31, 2014.

Planned and spontaneous demonstrations take place in Spain, especially in Madrid and Barcelona, in response to economic or other events. If you encounter a large public gathering or demonstration, the U.S. Embassy suggests that you avoid the area. Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational. U.S. citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations.

The Government Delegation in Madrid has authorized the following demonstrations.

DATE	DURATION	ORGANIZERS	PURPOSE OF PROTEST OR DEMONSTRATION	LOCATION
10/24/14	10:30 – 12:30	Sec Sind Ayto Madrid - CSIF	Against social and labor cuts etc.	Alcalá 45, Cibeles, Alcalá, Barquillo
10/24/14	11:00 – 12:30	Sec Sind Ayto Madrid - CSIF	Against social and labor cuts etc.	Plaza de la Villa, Mayor, Bailén, Plaza de la Villa
10/24/14	13:00 –15:00	Comité empresa Real Casa de la Moneda	Against approving Bill Segregation. Fabrica Nacional de la Moneda	Plaza de las Cortes. (Congreso de los Diputados)
10/25/14	16:00 – 20:00	Asoc Cultural Socialismo Libertario	Solidarity with the Iraqi & Kurdish people. Against the military success of the Islamic State	Plaza Jacinto Benavente
10/25/14	17:00 – 20:30	Asoc Estudios Falún Dafa	Human Rights in China	Plaza de Callao
10/25/14	19:30 – 21:30	Foro de Madrid. Contra la violencia a las mujeres	In memorial of the women killed because of gender violence	Puerta del Sol
10/26/14	12:00 – 17:00	Asoc voluntad popular	To control the violence in Venezuela.	Plaza del Callao

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10/28/14	12:00 – 14:00	Sindicato CSIF	For the closure of the Hospital Carlos III. (Ebola Affair)	Paseo del Prado 18. (Ministry of Health)
10/29/14	18:00 – 20:00	Com Emp Cásbega- Coca-Cola	Labor issues	Callao, Preciados, Arenal, Bailen, Puerta del Sol
10/30/14	19:00 – 20:00	Plat víctimas de la Impunidad Franquista	Against Franco's impunity	Puerta del Sol
10/31/14	10:30 – 12:30	Sec Sind Ayto Madrid- CSIF	Against social and labor cuts	Alcala 45, Cibeles, Alcalá, Barquillo.
10/31/14	11:00 – 12:30	Sec Sind Ayto Madrid CSIF	Against social and labor cuts	Plaza de la Villa, Mayor, Bailén, Plaza de la Villa
10/31/14	12:00 – 13:00	Fed Servicios Públicos UGT	Against cuts in Public Services	Sevilla, Alcalá, Gran Vía, Sevilla

The U.S. Embassy encourages U.S. citizens to review the "Traveler's Checklist" which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. All U.S. citizens in Spain are urged to enroll online at the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP). Enrolling gives U.S. Citizens access to updated information on travel and security within Spain and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency.

Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States or a regular toll line at-1-202-501-4444 for callers from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). You can also stay up to date by bookmarking our Bureau of Consular Affairs website, which contains the current Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts as well as the Worldwide Caution as well as Country Specific Information for Spain. Follow us on Twitter and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on Facebook as well.

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